

House Resolution No. 3395

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives truly were saddened by the death of Vercen Getrix "Coby" Brandon on March 8, 2008, at the age of sixty-four; and

Whereas, a lifelong resident of Saint Louis, Coby Brandon attended Charles Sumner High School and then completed his high school diploma while serving for four years in the United States Army; and

Whereas, after one and one-half years on active duty in Seoul, Korea, and then receiving an Honorable Discharge from the military, Coby Brandon continued his education to graduate from Ranken Tech as an electrical engineer; and

Whereas, Coby Brandon was employed for many years as a signal technician with the Terminal Railroad Association; and

Whereas, Coby Brandon professed his belief in Christ at an early age, was baptized at Christ Southern Mission Baptist Church, and was the first member of Trinity Full Gospel Church, which was pastored by his wife, the former Beulah Marie Brocks; and

Whereas, in addition to serving as a Deacon at Trinity Full Gospel Church, Coby Brandon was chairman of the Deacon Board and was the Chief Financial Officer; and

Whereas, Coby Brandon was preceded in death by his parents, Lafayette and Deola Brandon; his siblings, Lafayette Brandon, Jr., Emma Simpson, and Valmarine Brandon; and his children, Vercen G. Brandon, Jr., Stephanie, Horace, and Jason; and

Whereas, Coby Brandon is survived by his wife, whom he married on March 20, 1967, and his children, Cynthia Griffin, Shontell Brandon, and Audrey Camille Brandon; grandchildren, Jason, Devin, and Jordyn; sisters, Ethelrene Patterson and Alice Smith; and a host of other relative and friends:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Coby Brandon and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to his family members, colleagues, friends, and neighbors who now miss his considerable strength, warmth, and light in their daily lives; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of Vercen Getrix "Coby" Brandon of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Connie L. Johnson
District No. 61

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3395, adopted June 12, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker